

HOUSE RESOLUTION 378
By Brooks (Knox)

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jessica Busler, 2004
Valedictorian of Powell High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Busler is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Powell High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jessica has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Busler has earned an exemplary 4.25 grade point average; she is the recipient of a Gold Card for maintaining a 4.0 GPA for her Freshman, Sophomore and Junior years and an Honors Gold Card for achieving an above 4.0 GPA during her Junior year; and

WHEREAS, Jessica has shown her academic prowess by taking accelerated placement courses, advanced placement courses and honors courses in several subjects; she has competed in several mathematics competitions at the University of Tennessee, and has received an award in Algebra II; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, Ms. Busler was a Class Member at Large in the Student Government Association during her Freshman year, served as Secretary of her Sophomore Class, was Student Body Parliamentarian during her Junior year, is a three-year member of the Beta Club, was a Sophomore mentor as a Powell Ambassador Working with Students, and was secretary of Mu Alpha Theta during her Sophomore year and an Executive Board Member during her Junior and Senior years; and

WHEREAS, Jessica is a four-year band member who was elected Best Bandsman during her Sophomore and Junior years, was selected as a Band Representative in her Freshman and Sophomore years and was Drum Major during her junior and senior years; deeply involved in music, she is a member of Singers Ensemble as a senior, has taken private piano lessons since 1993, has sung in her church choir since 1994, and was the Youth Praise Band keyboardist for two years; and

WHEREAS, an active and devout member of Wallace Memorial Baptist Church, Ms. Busler has been a Leadership Team member, a participant in mission trips for two years and a Youth Group member and Youth Soloist in her church; she has participated in several Easter and Christmas pageants and has attended various church camps; and

WHEREAS, also actively involved in the life of her community, Jessica Busler has served with her church's Mission in Knoxville, the Knoxville Soup Kitchen, St. Mary's Walk for MDA, Fantasy of Trees, Coats for the Cold, Candleridge Assisted Living, the Thompson Cancer Center, Halls Middle School, and Christmas in August; and

WHEREAS, a well-rounded individual, Jessica played Varsity and Junior Varsity basketball her Freshman and Sophomore years and was a Varsity Letterman and Junior Varsity captain in her Sophomore year; she played Varsity Summer League Softball as a Sophomore, was a Varsity Volleyball Letterman as a Freshman and Sophomore, and played Junior Varsity Volleyball as a Freshman and Sophomore, serving as Captain in the second year; and

WHEREAS, Jessica's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to pursue a Music Business major in college or a Bachelor of Arts in Music and a Master's degree in Business, with a view to establish her own studio and compose and record music; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Busler's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Busler, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jessica Busler's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend

and honor 2004 Powell High School Valedictorian, Jessica Busler, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.